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## Claims

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- A process for delivering a fabric treatment agent to
   a fabric comprising:
  - (a) releasably attaching a rigid support to a part of a flexible substrate onto which is releasably fixed a fabric treatment agent;
- (b) placing the rigid support/flexible substrate;
  - (c) a fabric inside a fabric treatment machine; and
  - (d) operating the fabric treatment machine;
- characterised in that the rigid support is a frame
  and is smaller than at least the width or length or
  depth of the flexible substrate.
- A process as claimed in claim 1 wherein the fabric treatment machine is a tumble dryer or a washing
   machine.
  - 3. A process as claimed in claim 1 or 2 wherein the fabric treatment machine is operated so that the temperature of the water in the washing machine is greater than or equal to 40°C.
  - 4. A process as claimed in any one of the preceding claims wherein the rigid frame support is smaller than both the width and the length of the flexible substrate.

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- 5. A process as claimed in any of the preceding claims wherein the frame is an endless frame.
- 6. A process as claimed in any one of the preceding5 claims wherein the flexible substrate comprises a fibrous material.

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- 7. A process as claimed in any one of the preceding claims wherein the flexible substrate is in the form of a sheet.
- 5 8. A process as claimed in any one of the preceding claims wherein the fabric treatment agent comprises a fabric softening agent and/or a fabric cleaning agent.
- 10 9. A process as claimed in any one of the preceding claims wherein the fabric treatment agent is releasable from the flexible substrate by heating the substrate and/or by agitating the substrate.
- 15 10. A device comprising a flexible substrate containing a releasably fixed fabric treatment agent and releasably attached to the flexible substrate a rigid support.
- 20 11. A kit for delivering a fabric treatment agent to a fabric comprising a device as defined in any claim from 1 to 10.
- 12. Use of a device as defined in any claim from 1 to 10, for the delivery of the fabric treatment agent to a fabric.